Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, James Wilsey and Caroline Wilson exchanged their wedding vows on June 5, 1955, in the First Presbyterian Church in Rapid City, promising to share their lives and love together for the rest of their days; and,

Whereas, The newly-wed couple of 50 years ago has been replaced by two devoted partners who have shared life's beauty and sorrow and have grown to love one another more because of their common journey; and,

Whereas, Jim and Caroline gave life and love to five children: Tom, Tim, Bruce, Brenda and Kent who in turn presented them with eight grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Jim and Caroline spent many years in Pierre while Jim was a civil engineer with the Department of Transportation and Caroline raised a beautiful family. They later moved to Brandon where Jim formed Wilsey and Associates, Inc. and Caroline became a Mary Kay consultant; and,

Whereas, In 1995, Jim and Caroline returned to the ranch near Elm Springs in Meade County that Caroline's family had called home for many decades; and,

Whereas, Through their lifelong dedication to the values of caring and sharing, Jim and Caroline have helped make South Dakota a great place to live and work; and,

Whereas, It is altogether fitting and proper that the Governor of South Dakota recognizes and commemorates the memorable milestones in the lives of the state's outstanding citizens:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 5, 2005, as

JAMES AND CAROLINE WILSEY DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with the honored couple's family and friends in wishing them continued health and happiness in a state that stands prouder today because of their contributions and commitment.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirty-first Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State